

State Asset Forfeitures

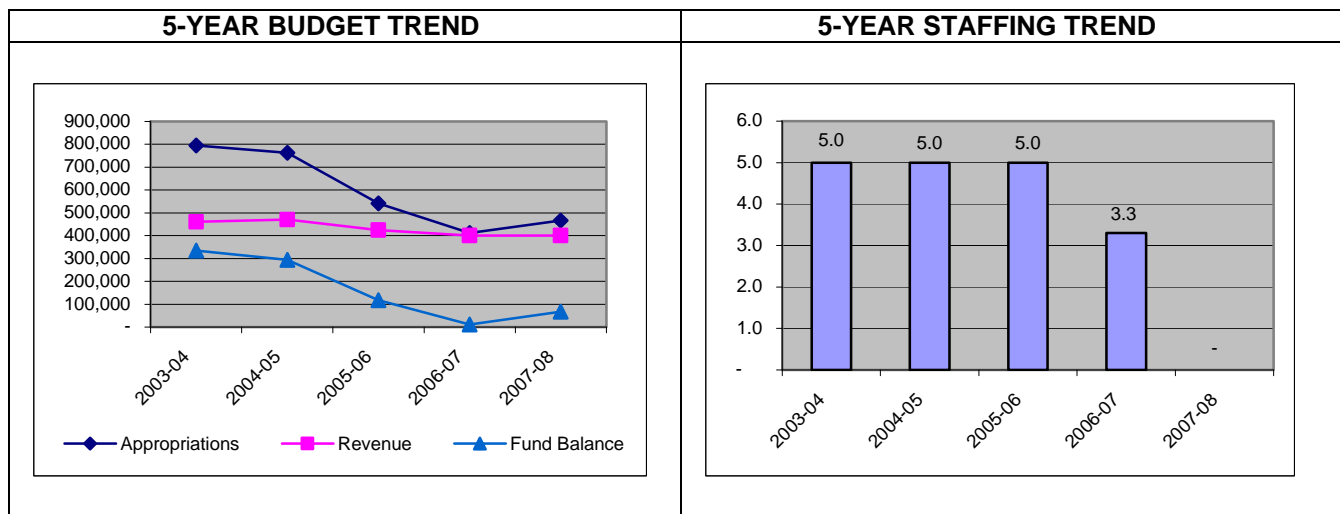
DESCRIPTION OF MAJOR SERVICES

The goal of asset forfeiture is to remove the profits from those who benefit from illegal activities. While seizures and arrests present a temporary setback for criminals, asset forfeiture is effective in permanently removing the proceeds from them while diminishing their ability to continue the illegal enterprise. The law permits law enforcement agencies to use the proceeds of forfeiture to purchase safe, more effective equipment that they otherwise could not afford. Thus, law enforcement is able to convert criminal profits into supplemental funding to inhibit illegal activities.

The District Attorney's Asset Forfeiture program deters crime by depriving criminal of the profits and proceeds of their illegal activities. State asset forfeitures fund staff that process asset forfeitures generated by activities of the Sheriff's Department and police agencies in the county.

There is no staffing associated with this budget unit in 2007-08.

BUDGET HISTORY

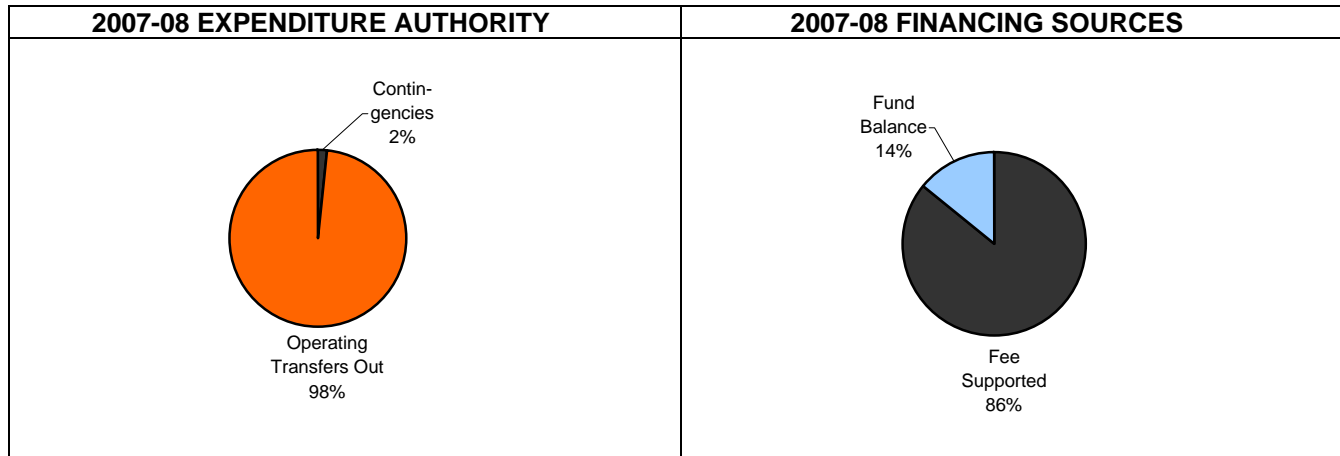


PERFORMANCE HISTORY

	2003-04 Actual	2004-05 Actual	2005-06 Actual	2006-07 Modified Budget	2006-07 Actual
Appropriation	455,615	464,976	402,129	411,168	409,778
Departmental Revenue	416,642	289,047	295,770	400,000	464,584
Fund Balance				11,168	
Budgeted Staffing				3.3	

Actual expenditures were less than the modified budget due to slight savings in salary and benefits, and services and supplies. Actual revenue increased more than modified budget as a result of receiving additional funds from the State Asset Forfeitures.

ANALYSIS OF FINAL BUDGET



GROUP: Law and Justice
DEPARTMENT: District Attorney
FUND: State Asset Forfeitures

BUDGET UNIT: SBH DAT
FUNCTION: Public Protection
ACTIVITY: Judicial

	2003-04 Actual	2004-05 Actual	2005-06 Actual	2006-07 Actual	2006-07 Final Budget	2007-08 Final Budget	Change From 2006-07 Final Budget
Appropriation							
Salaries and Benefits	419,312	421,880	399,685	408,207	409,667	-	(409,667)
Services and Supplies	26,567	22,277	17,605	21,729	23,581	-	(23,581)
Central Computer	-	2,544	3,969	3,646	3,646	-	(3,646)
Transfers	9,736	18,275	22,259	20,245	20,257	-	(20,257)
Contingencies	-	-	-	-	2,511	7,973	5,462
Total Exp Authority	455,615	464,976	443,518	453,827	459,662	7,973	(451,689)
Reimbursements	-	-	(41,389)	(44,049)	(48,494)	-	48,494
Total Appropriation	455,615	464,976	402,129	409,778	411,168	7,973	(403,195)
Operating Transfers Out	-	-	-	-	-	458,000	458,000
Total Requirements	455,615	464,976	402,129	409,778	411,168	465,973	54,805
Departmental Revenue							
Fines and Forfeitures	416,642	289,047	295,770	464,584	400,000	400,000	-
Total Revenue	416,642	289,047	295,770	464,584	400,000	400,000	-
Fund Balance					11,168	65,973	54,805
Budgeted Staffing					3.3	-	(3.3)

The final 2007-08 budget reflects a technical change in the way the asset forfeiture staffing and expenses are budgeted. Employees/positions and expenses have been moved to the District Attorney's Criminal Prosecution budget unit and corresponding fines and forfeitures revenue from this budget unit will be transferred out to cover those costs. This change was requested because fines and forfeitures revenue is difficult to predict and can vary greatly from year to year, making year-end processing and budget procedures very difficult. The department will also have greater flexibility in making staff reductions in the event of declining revenue (reassignment, absorb through attrition, etc.). Contingencies of \$7,973 are increased by \$5,462 based on available fund balance.

